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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: PINS, JA, SW

SUBJECT: JAPANESE RED ARMY TERRORISTS IN SWEDEN

REF: STATE 202942

1. SWEDISH POLICE HAVE INFORMED US THAT THEY HAVE ARRESTED KITAGAWA AKIRA (SEE PARA 2A, REFTEL), SUSPECTED JAPANESE RED ARMY TERRORIST, AND HAVE REQUESTED THAT HE BE EXPELLED FROM SWEDEN. MATTER WILL BE TAKEN UP AT OCTOBER 25 KING-IN-COUNCIL MEETING (I.E. CABINET MEETING WHERE MAJOR QUESTIONS ARE DECIDED). SINCE THIS WOULD BE FIRST TIME ANYONE EXPELLED UNDER SWEDEN'S CONFIDENTIAL

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TOUGH NEW ANTI-TERRORIST LAW, THE POLICE ARE NOT CERTAIN WHAT

THE COUNCIL WILL DECIDE.

2. FULL DETAILS OF AKIRA'S ARREST APPEARED IN OCTOBER 24
EXPRESSEN, AND POLICE HAVE CONFIRMED RELIABILITY OF THE PAPER'S
ARTICLE, ALTHOUGH THEY ARE ANNOYED AT LEAK. ARTICLE SAYS THAT
AKIRA, A JAPANESE NATIONAL, IS A 29-YEAR-OLD "STUDENT" AT
UNIVERSITY OF STOCKHOLM, WHO HAS RESIDED HERE FOR SEVERAL YEARS,
RECEIVING SWEDISH GOVERNMENT STUDY GRANTS. HE HAS FREQUENTLY
TRAVELLED TO PARIS, BUT WAS ARRESTED AND EXPELLED FROM FRANCE
RECENTLY (REFTEL). ACCORDING TO ARTICLE, HIS EXPULSION FROM
FRANCE, AND THE RECENT ACTIONS OF THE SWEDISH POLICE, STEM FROM
ACCIDENTAL DISCOVERY OF A RED ARMY TERRORIST AT ORLY IN JULY
WHO WAS CARRYING DOCUMENTS WHICH, INTER ALIA, IMPLICATED AKIRA
IN A EUROPE-WIDE TERRORIST ORGANIZATION. AKIRA IS REPORTEDLY
PLAYING AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THE NETWORK.

3. EXPRESSEN DID NOT MENTION, BUT POLICE ADDED, THAT THE EMBASSY'S SUBMISSION OF INFO IN REFTEL TO POLICE HERE WAS A MAIN FACTOR IN AKIRA'S ARREST. THEY ALSO SAID THAT THEY ARE LOOKING FOR BUT HAVE NOT FOUND AKIRA'S FEMALE COMPANION LISTED IN REFTEL. STRAUS-HUPE

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